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MEMORANDUM FOR: Senior Review Panel

FROM:

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Chairman

SUBJECT:

NIE: The Military Balance in the Aegean

- 1. Attached for your review is a draft TOR for subject NIE. This estimate is being produced under the auspices of the NIO/GPF; the NIE drafter is Colonel Dwight W. Beach, US Army.
 - 2. The NIO/GPF initiated this estimate because:
 - a. the last interagency examination of the Greek-Turkish military balance occurred over a decade ago; and
 - b. as March's near clash between Greece and Turkey points up, US regional interests over the years have remained subject to the vicissitudes of Greek-Turkish relations.

I expect that a fresh look at this abiding problem will be particularly useful to administration policymakers as well as throughout the Intelligence Community.

- 3. Although this document was originally envisioned as an IIM, preliminary research and user interest indicate it should be produced as a NIE.
 - 4. We would appreciate your comments at your earliest convenience.

Attachment: As Stated

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